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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Toshimitsu ISHIKAWA et al.

Serial No. 09/393,168

Filed September 10, 1999

SOFT CAPSULE

: Confirmation No. 2333

: Docket No. 00724/P10-258981/AM/SAN/US

: Group Art Unit 1617

: Examiner H. Nguyen

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

Petition hereby is made for a three month extension of time to respond to the communication of
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(X) submitted herewith.

() to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

(X) Small entity status of this application is established by a Small Entity Status Assertion which

() is enclosed.

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00 FC:00 Respectfully submitted,

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